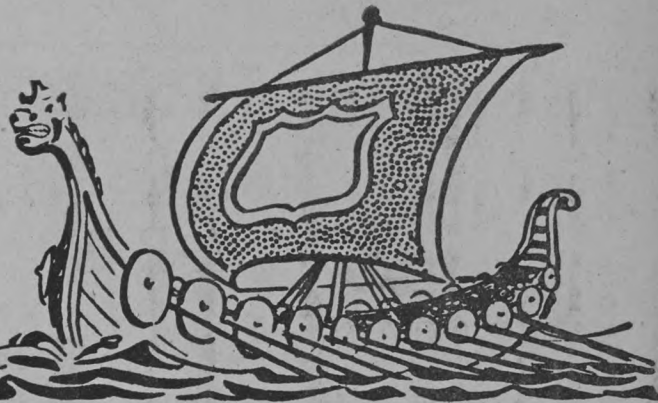




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Exciting Activities in Norway for Visitor

Norway's most exciting event for visitors in 1970 is the year-long celebration of Bergen's ninth centenary. Nine hundred years ago the tiny village was founded in Norway's Fjord Country, and from it Norsemen sailed to discover the western world.

Once Norway's capital and today a beautiful fjord city, Bergen and its citizens promise visitors a delightful experience, no matter the time of year. Activities include a "Meet the Bergensers" program, daily welcome tea parties, folk dances, fjord cruises, recitals at composer Edvard Grieg's home, cultural tours, open-air dances, brass bands, light shows and sports events. Bergen will especially shine from May 13 to 27 for its 18th international festival of drama, folklore and music linked with the works of Grieg. It is evident that "Bergen Is A Bargain" this year.

Bergen grows in importance daily as the new gateway not only to Norway, but indeed to all of Scandinavia.

From Bergen are package tours in all directions — fjord cruises and coastal voyages, Mid-night Sun excursions, and the famed package tours between Bergen and Oslo, named the Norwegian Fjord Line, the Viking Tour of the Fjords, the Norse Trail tour and many others. New in 1970 is the "Discovery Tour" between Stavanger and South Coast, a top-grade tour which Oslo, which takes in the sunny South Coast, a top-grade tour which is tailor-made for American visitors.

The new travel trend among American and Canadian visitors to Scandinavia is to take in the famous sights of North Norway — the Land of the Midnight Sun. Seeing the Midnight Sun means, literally, watching a never-setting sun blazing above the horizon and brightening the sky with fantastic colors at an hour when your watch tells you there ought to be darkness. Several places in the world witness the same phenomenon, but Norway offers the best vantage points, ranging from

Bodo to the North Cape and Spitsbergen, and adds the beauty of fjords and mountains, exotic settings, opportunities for good fishing, hunting, photographing and well-planned tours.

Oslo's emergence as the vigorous new City of the Arts in Scandinavia, offering everything from fine arts and industrial design to the performing and culinary arts, is making Vikingland's capital city increasingly popular as a year-round attraction. Oslo has an amazingly wide range of cultural attractions, which are unique for Oslo and cannot be seen in any other city. The controversial Vigeland sculpture park, the Munch Museum with the finest impressionist collection in the world, and the new Henie-Onstad Art Center, are but a few of Oslo's many famous tourist sights.

Literature on Norway is available from the Scandinavian National Travel Offices, Scandinavia House, 505 Fifth Ave, New York NY 10017, or from 612 S Flower St, Los Angeles, Calif. 90017.

Plan your holiday in Scandinavia or Europe this summer. Fly first class by Air Canada Jet to Copenhagen, Denmark, June 26 to August 10, or Stockholm, Sweden, July 28 to Aug. 27, for a reunion with relatives and friends, or just a sight-seeing tour.

Globetrotter Travel Agency will gladly make your reservations, arrange tours, etc. The air fare is \$300.00 return for adults and \$220.00 for children under 16 years.

PASSENGERS:

Children under the age of two years on the date of departure will be carried free. Children from two to sixteen years of age on departure date pay children's fare. There is a limit of 20 children on each flight and any children in excess of 20 must pay adult fare.

ELIGIBILITY:

Every passenger or head of the immediate family must be a shareholder of the Scandinavian Centre for at least 6 months prior to departure of flight.

PAYMENT:

A deposit of \$100.00 per person with an application and the balance to be paid in full 60 days prior to flight departure. See the flight ad in the paper for a reservation form.

Make your cheque payable to the Scandinavian Centre and indicate flight number. The price is all inclusive and includes airport tax, and loss of fare protection. Your deposit will be refunded if the flight is cancelled. A person may cancel his or her reservation if notice is served in writing sixty days before departure of the flight.

BAGGAGE:

The baggage allowance is 66 pounds per each fare.

DOCUMENTS:

Every passenger must be in possession of a valid passport and a valid certificate of vaccination. Passport application forms may be obtained at your main Post Office. The passport fee is \$10.00 and must be remitted by money order or certified cheque to the Passport Office, Department of External Affairs, Ottawa. When applying for your passport you require 1 form and 2 photos; proof of citizenship is required, either birth certificate, or baptismal certificate if recorded shortly after birth, or naturalization certificate.

HINTS ON TRAVELING

Buy traveler's cheques. They're safe and good anywhere. However, it is advisable to carry about fifty dollars in \$1. and \$5. bills with you. They'll come in handy at the most unexpected times.

Always keep your travel documents — passports, etc. — on your person, not in your luggage.

Baggage insurance is recommended — be sure to include cameras. Your insurance agent can give you advice on many inexpensive policies.

Make your hotel reservations several weeks in advance and take your letters of confirmation with you.

English is spoken and understood by hotel personnel, taxi drivers, tour guides all over Scandinavia and Europe, but why not try reciprocating by using basic salutations and phrases in the language of the country you are visiting.

Check the weight of your luggage on your bathroom scale — remember 66 pounds.

Next month we'll discuss your travel wardrobe and packing.

UNITARIAN SERVICE COMMITTEE

The Edmonton Branch of the Unitarian Service Committee urgently need donations of the following articles now: —

Warm used clothing for men, women or children with at least 12 months wearability left.

Cotton and flannelette sheets, used but with some parts suitable for making into babies nighties, diapers and panties. Towels, new if possible, also sunlight or ivory soap to complete layettes awaiting shipment to needy mothers.

Remnants of material — approximately 7 inches square or larger for sewing into quilt squares.

Nylons and panty hose to be cut-up to stuff quilt squares. Old drapes or bed spreads to be used for the backing of quilts.

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SPLINTERS from the BOARD

CENTRE OPERATION

Mrs. Edna Smith, our manager, has had business cards printed which will help her in dealing with the public. She is endeavouring to rent our facilities during the week for business meetings so the Centre will be use during the week as well as on weekends. She has had the walls of the board room washed and will have the rest of the building cleaned also. We now have an answering service to take telephone calls when the manager is off duty.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The general meeting was held in the Viking Room, February 17th at 8:00 p.m., under the chairmanship of President Paul Karvonen. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read by the secretary May Rushton. The directors' reports were followed by the auditor's report. The auditor, Wally Broen, was on hand to answer questions concerning the financial statement.

The retiring directors were Bill Halldorson, Matti Lehtineimi, Ellsworth Halberg and Peter Johnson. Messrs Halberg and Lehtineimi were re-elected for 3 year terms. Also elected to the board were Helge Ahlfeldt, Margaret Cameron and Henry Logan for 3 year terms; Gary Johnson, 2 years and Herb Vigfusson, 1 year.

Wally Broen was re-elected auditor and the nominating committee for 1971 is as follows: Knut Svidal, Anne Sahuri, Leif Oddson, Eric Pierre and Arnskov Nielsen.

After a brief coffee break, Anders Anderson gave a detailed report on a long range development plan for Centre expansion. This was very well presented with slides, model and a book outlining the development phases, feasibility and costs. After a brief question period the meeting adjourned. The board will now consider the plans and determine the course of action.

RADIO REPORT -

The 'Scandinavian Show' is heard on CFCW every Saturday morning at 10:30. CFCW is 790 KC on your AM dial. The Scandinavian Centre report is broadcast on this program at approximately 11:25 A.M.

Matti Lehtiniemi will be giving the report in March. If you have something of interest for the broadcast, give him a call at 453-1661. Paul Karvonen will give the report in April.

COMMENT - - -

Dear Editor:

Find enclosed a change of address card, also a cheque for \$5.00, a small donation from us who enjoy so much reading your fine little paper.

Although we have moved to the Okanagan Valley, we still feel we are a part of Alberta - and want to keep in touch.

Thanking you,
Yours truly,
E. A. Nelson,
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Here and There

Miss Dora Davidson of Edmonton has been hospitalized in the Wetaskiwin Hospital with pneumonia. Miss Davidson is employed by the provincial government and works in the department of Industry and Tourism.

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A gentleman in Norway would like to correspond in Norwegian with a Canadian penpal. Mr. Johansen is 47 years old and has not been able to work since he was injured in an accident. He has read many books about Canada and the United States, and would like to have a Norwegian-Canadian point of view. His name and address is-

Harald Johansen,
Lonhaugen,
2256 Grue-Finnskog
Norway.

PROPOSED EXPANSION PLANS

The presentation of the long range development plans of the Scandinavian Centre were revealed at the annual meeting February 17th by Mr. Anders Anderson. The following is a brief portion of the proposed plans.

- 1 - Placement of the main entry on the east side providing central circulation to all parts of the development.
- 2 - Provision of family environment areas segregated into four distinct and separate entities.
 - The Teen Centre located in basement of the existing Scandinavian Centre.
 - The adult social and entertainment areas located in the new development.
 - Arts and crafts rooms.
 - The common area, gymnasium, health club, pool and partial use of lodge areas.
- 3 - Increase the social entertainment and revenue areas by development of:
 - Valhalla Historic Salon.
 - Sjomans Dining Lounge and Thor's outdoor cafe.
 - Smaller social rooms.
 - Lodge meeting rooms.
 - Administrative offices.
 - Rental offices.

DEVELOPMENT PHASES

PHASE I -

Valhalla Historic Salon, new entries, kitchen and dining areas, parking lot, development of the basement area in the existing structure into a teens' recreation and completion of the park and outdoor sports area.

PHASE II -

The sauna and the gymnasium.

PHASE IIIa -

The separate lodge and societies lounge rooms, the common meeting room, and one additional area in which it could be utilized for offices or other social entertainment rooms.

PHASE IIIb -

The development of the present entry and the lobby into administrative and rental office space as well as office space above the space allocated for dining, the common lodge area and undefined office area.

PHASE IV -

Installation of the swimming pool which is categorized as the last stage of the development since it is a pure luxury item in the City of Edmonton, where so many swimming pools are available to the public. However, the complete development would require that a swimming pool becomes part of the complex.

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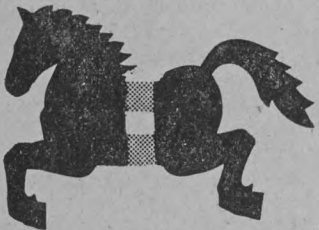
Annual Report Of S.C. News

The newspaper has survived the increase in postal rates that have wiped out many other publications. Our mailing costs are up from \$21 to \$107 a month, but we have held the line on other costs. For that reason we have not increased our advertising rates.

The contributions from readers in 1968 totaled \$78, and in 1969 donations were nearly 8 times as great, \$594. This, in my opinion, speaks well for the paper and indicates that people want to continue receiving it. The circulation is rising steadily causing a corresponding increase in printing and postage costs. In the past, the Centre has subsidized the paper for about \$1,000 a year but this amount will have to be increased in 1970.

The post office introduced postal zoning in Edmonton with great fanfare and advertising, however, the zoning system is now obsolete and is not being used.

We would request that you support our advertisers and mention the Scandinavian News when doing so.



The Horse symbol of Scandinavian Design Cavalcade.

Mrs. Ristola Finnish President

The annual meeting of the Finnish Society was held on Jan. 25th at the Scandinavian Centre.

Last year's president Mr. Esko Salo opened the meeting. Mr. Pekka Utunen was elected the acting chairman for the meeting with Mr. Veikko Leino as secretary. After hearing the financial and reports from different committees, and agreeing to relieve last years executive of financial responsibility, the following members were elected:

President for 1970, Mrs. Sirkka Ristola; vice president, Paul Karvonen; secretary - Miss Marja Laine; treasurer - Mrs. Anja Sahuri; membership chairman - Mr. Vilho Ristola; entertainment chairman - Mrs. Tuula Moisio; other members of executive - Mrs. Maria Utunen, Mr. Esko Salo and Mr. Veikko Kujala.

Auditors are Mr. John Rama and Mr. Lauri Vesalainen with Mrs. Im-

pi Honka and Mrs. Laila Kujala as deputy auditors.

Ladies' committee members are Mrs. Irja Kuusela, Mrs. Esther Kit, and Mrs. Maria Utunen.

Mrs. Bertha Rama will be sending get well cards and flowers to hospitalized members.

Mrs. Bertha Rama and Mrs. Tyne Liimatainen are in the ladies' committee of the Scandinavian Centre.

Mrs. Elfriede Lehtiniemi is a new member of Cultural activities' committee of the Scandinavian Centre along with Mrs. Francia Harvonen who was elected for two years in 1969.

Miss Marja Laine became the correspondent for Vapaa Sana and Mrs. Anne Sahuri is the correspondent for the Scandinavian Centre News.

After the business meeting was over, coffee was served.

NEWS FROM THE DANISH CHURCH

Mrs. Helene Marie Rafn passed away February 12th at the age of 96 years. She was the oldest member of Ansgar Danish Lutheran Church and as far as we know the oldest Dane in the northern part of Alberta. Mrs. Rafn emigrated in 1898 and was married to Andrew Rafn in Montana. Shortly after, they moved to Canada and bought a homestead in Bon Accord where they later built the farm which became their home. Andrew Rafn, who in many ways was a pioneer, passed away in 1946. The farm is now owned by their son, Richard

Rafn and their daughter, Martha Rafn.

The funeral for Mrs. Rafn was held on February 14th with interment at Bon Accord Cemetery where her husband was also buried.

The Rafn's had many friends and each year many of them gathered on the farm for Mrs. Rafn's birthday. Mrs. Rafn was a lovable lady who was always ready to help. She had a deep Christian faith and before she was weakened by her age she very often attended the services in the Danish Church. Mrs. Rafn lived most of her life in Canada

but she never forgot Denmark and the Danish language. Very often she talked about Denmark and would like to hear about it. She also loved Danish hymns and songs, and remembered many of them by heart. I am sure that many will join me in saying, "Aere vaere hendes minde."

SUPPER AND BINGO

Again this year Ansgar Men's Club has planned a supper and bingo evening. It will be at the Scandinavian Centre, Friday, March 20th at 6:30 p.m. They have decided to keep the price of the supper tickets the same low price as

last year - \$2.00. Tickets can be bought from pastor Filtenborg, phone 469-6123, Ole Knudsen, phone 434-1550 or other members of the club. The menu will be the same as the other years: Flaeskesteg, homemade midsterpolser and red cabbage, and Danish applecake. The dinner will be prepared by the ladies from the Young Women's Club.



SOLGLYT



SPOTLIGHT

COMING EVENTS -

March 14 - Hawaiian Dance.
Viking Room.
April 18 - "Spring Dans".
Viking Room.

Dancers of the Midnight Sun entertained at the Senior Citizens Centre on Jan. 21 and were well received.

Sympathy is extended from the Sons of Norway to the Halberg families in the death, Jan. 26, of Mrs. Alma Halberg of Ryley. Mr. and Mrs. Schang Halberg took an active part in the Lodge while residing in the city. Mr. Halberg is a past president.

Sympathy from the Lodge is also extended to the Hafso families in the death of their father, Mr. Sivert Hafso of Viking who passed away Jan. 29, at the age of 85.

The Ladies' Sewing group have undertaken many interesting projects - the results to be seen at their bazaar to be held in the Spring. All ladies are invited to come out to a most enjoyable evening - contact Olga McBride at 484-1667 if interested.

Hundreds of interested parents filled the Jasper Place Arena to watch the finals of Edmonton's Minor Hockey Tournament. Two of these anxious parents were Inge and Betty Anderson who watched their son Sidney help win over the Beacon Heights team 5-3 in the PeeWee "A" final.

Mr. and Mrs. Sig. Sorenson attended a family gathering at Chauvin to honor Selma's mother on her 80th birthday, Feb. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Knut Svidal and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Haugen attended the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Swanberg, in Calgary on Feb. 14. Mr. Swanberg is Secretary for the Fourth District.

Mr. Sig Sorenson received a letter from the secretary of the 'Northern Lights Lodge' in Grande Prairie informing him of their Lutfisk Supper on February 23 and extending an invitation to attend. They have already formed a committee to plan a Sons of Norway Centre.

Mrs. Ingrid Lagergren's change of address is 10439 - 142 St. Phone 455-4352.

Congratulations to Constance De Veer, of Grande Prairie and William Overland who were recently married at the Royal Alexander Hospital Chapel. They are now residing at 12320 - 116 Ave. Phone 454-0961.

Glad to hear Andrew Erickson is home from hospital. At the present time Mr. Stan Overland is in the Misericordia Hospital. Mrs. Ruth Zelinski is in University Hospital and Mr. Rae Boe Sr. is in the Glen Rose Hospital. We wish them all a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Elstrand express their thanks to the Sons of Norway for the lovely flowers and fruit received while in hospital. They especially wish to thank Kalmar Amdam for his cheery humor on the many visits he paid them.

Next reporter will be Olga McBride, 484-1667. Please phone her your news.

We regret to report that Miss Min Strand had the misfortune to break her right wrist recently. By recently, we mean - on her birthday, Friday, February 13. Min is recovering at home.

FINNISH SOCIETY



Best of luck to Dr. and Mrs. W. Cumming who moved to their new home in Dawson Creek, B.C. recently. Prior to their departure a surprise going away party was held in their honour.

Both Christmas parties were well attended. Special thanks to all the children who performed at the children's party.

Thanks to all the ladies who helped in the kitchen during December and February.

A surprise birthday party was held in honour of Mrs. Sivia Vesalainen on the occasion of a special birthday in January. A beautiful table lamp was presented, she also received many flowers and cards. The evening was enjoyed by many friends who came to wish Happy Birthday to Mrs. Vesalainen.

Many thanks to Finnish Society for the flowers I received while in hospital recently.

-Anja Leino.

Congratulations to Sally and Peter Nahkuri on the birth of their son,

Steven Paul, on January 24, 1970.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all those friends who came to help celebrate my sixtieth birthday recently. I was very pleased with the beautiful and thoughtful gift. My thanks to the Finnish Society as well as to individual friends for the lovely flowers. Last but not least, many thanks to those who brought or helped with refreshments.

-Sivia Vesalainen.

A surprise house warming party was held on Feb. 14th for Mr. and Mrs. G. Tekoniemi. The couple was presented with a gift on behalf of many friends who had gathered to wish them good luck in their new home.

Mrs. Bertha Rama visited with her son W. Rama and family in Calgary recently. While there she also visited Mr. and Mrs. John Koi-vuneva and family.

It was announced recently that Mr. and Mrs. Tekoniemi have won the prize of a trip to Hawaii to

be taken at their convenience. Congratulations.

Many thanks to all who participated in the thoughtful gift we received during the house warming party recently. Thanks also to ladies who helped with refreshments. Thank you all it was a nice surprise.

-Kaisa and George Tekoniemi.

Recent visitors in Edmonton and the home of Tekoniemi's were Mr. and Mrs. Tuisku of Thunder Bay, Ont.

The Ladies Group will hold a bazaar and dance on March 7th, 1970 in the Dania room, Scandinavian Centre. Ladies are asked to bring handicrafts or bakings or what have you to this event. Program is already in progress and coffee will be served. Everyone is welcome.

The annual fishing derby will be held on March 22nd. Further details are not available at the time of writing.



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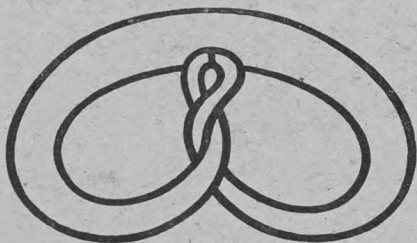
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WHAT TO SEE IN DENMARK

THE ROUND TOWER was also built by Christian IV. Originally used as an observatory for the University, today it serves as a Public Observatory and houses an old Astronomical Collection. There are no flights of steps in the Round Tower, only a broad winding passage. Tradition has it that during a visit to Denmark in 1716 of Czar Peter the Great and the Czarina, she drove her carriage right to the top, whilst the Czar followed on horseback. Admission to the tower: on weekdays from April 1st to Oct. 31st, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. on Sunday 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m., and 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

The Observatory is open on clear evenings from 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m., except in May, June and July. The astronomical collection is open Sunday between 12 noon and 4:00 p.m.

THE ROYAL THEATRE. This is the Danish national theatre. Two stages are available — the old, built in 1874 and the new, built in 1931. The statues standing before the main entrance are of the dramatists, Ludvig Holberg and Adam Oehlenschlaeger. The season runs from September 1st to May 31st and the theatre presents opera, ballet and drama. During the last days of the season a ballet festival is especially arranged for foreign visitors. The Royal Danish Ballet has on several occasions been invited to give performances abroad.

There are all kinds of Museums and Art Collections, place and time can be found in any newspaper.

GRUNDTVIG'S CHURCH. The church, which was completed in 1940, was erected as a memorial to the founder of the Danish folk high schools, the hymnologist Bishop N. F. S. Grundtvig. This impressive edifice was inspired by the style of the later Danish Gothic suggest the form of a church or-

gan. It is situated at Bispebjerg, 31 metres above sea-level, and its tower is 49 metres high. The surrounding dwelling houses are designed in the same style. The church and tower are open to visitors from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily.

ST. ALBAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH. (English and American episcopal church). The charming little church of St. Albans, built in typical English style, is situated in beautiful surroundings near the Gefion Fountain. Sunday services: Celebration of Holy Communion 8:30 a.m., Matins 11:00 a.m. and Evensong 5:00 p.m. For weekday services see church notice board.

LANGELINIE extends from the old citadel fortifications and harbour along the free-port to Langelinie Pier. It is laid out with flowerbeds and shrubberies, and there are a number of sculptures to be seen. Commanding a splendid view of the entrance to the harbour, Langelinie is a most popular promenade. Here, opposite the English Church, is the Gefion Fountain which depicts the old Scandinavian legend about the goddess Gefion, who was promised by the Swedish king Gylfe as much land from his kingdom as she could plough in a day; whereupon she transformed her four sons into oxen, harnessed them, and ploughed the island of Zealand out of Sweden from the spot which is now Lake Vanar.

Close by the yacht harbour can be seen the monument erected to the Memory of the Danish Seamen who perished in the First World War; on its sides are inscribed the names of ships and their crews. Undoubtedly the most widely known feature along Langelinie is the bronze statue of Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale character "The Little Mermaid" who, sitting on a rock looks down pensively at the water — her real element. Across from the little mermaid are the

navy yard and royal yacht anchorage. The visitor should take a sightseeing trip round the harbour and let the varied world of shipping pass before him. Stately passenger liners and weather beaten tramp steamers, noisy shipyards, quaint old warehouses, the navy yard with old frigates and modern naval vessels all combine to form a picture of the daily maritime life with its romantic atmosphere. For particulars of harbour trips, see under "Sightseeing Excursions" in the daily newspaper.

TIVOLI. This famous pleasure-ground not only offers all the attractions of a modern fun-fair, but is in itself a veritable wonderland with its eastern pagoda, its rock-gardens and miniature lake which by night reflects myriads of coloured fairy-lights. Created over a period of a hundred years "dream-planning", Tivoli has good reason to be the pride of Copenhageners. It is of interest to note that the artificial lake is a relic of the fortification moats. Open from the beginning of May until the middle of September 9:00 a.m. to midnight.

There are also a BOTANICALS GARDENS and the ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS where is found a large collection of animals from all parts of the world. Whilst the layout of the gardens is essentially practical, much ingenuity has been shown in reproducing as far as possible the animals natural habitats, and it has been found that this has encouraged breeding on a larger scale than is generally the case with animals in captivity. Adjoining the Zoo are the beautiful Frederiksberg Gardens, a public park laid out in English style with centuries-old trees surrounding the many canals and extensive lawns. Frederiksberg Slot a 250 year old palace, is now used as a military academy.

Old Castles, Museums of all descriptions, Parks, etc. etc. So much to see.

The Last Visit

I stood by the hospital door, Mother,
And silently whispered your name.
I longed to return to your side, Mother,
But that wasn't part of the game.
For visiting hours were past, Mother,
And so I was forced to remain
Outside of those hospital walls, Mother,
But I wanted to kiss you again.

I wanted to kiss you again, Mother.
I longed to caress your old face.
I wanted to whisper my love, Mother,
And hold you within my embrace.
For one fleeting hour I stood, Mother,
An hour I couldn't retain,
And I tenderly clung to your hand, Mother,
But I wanted to kiss you again.

You lay there so quiet and still, Mother.
Your form seemed so helpless and wee.
I wanted to drive off your fears, Mother.
As you did so often for me.
That night I was going away, Mother,
And as I was boarding the train
That lengthened the distance between, Mother,
I wanted to kiss you again.

The years have been taxing and long, Mother.
You faced them so dauntless and brave.
But your spirit was weakened and spent, Mother.
You'd started to long for the grave.
Death came like an angel of mercy
And bore you away from your pain.
I'd not call you back if I could, Mother,
But I still want to kiss you again.

— Art Reykdal.

Book Review

An American Saga, by Sverre Norborg. A history of Sons of Norway, this volume focuses on the impact of the organization upon the American fraternal scene and reflects the contributions of Sons of Norway to life in the United States and Canada. (Published by and available from Sons of Norway, 14555 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minn. 55408. Price: \$5.95).

**Swedes Aid
Albernathy**

STOCKHOLM — Rev. Ralph David Abernathy, successor to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, has received a cheque for \$50,000 from Swedish donors to the organization. The cheque was handed to Abernathy by Prof. Gunnar Myrdal, chairman of the Swedish Martin Luther King Foundation, at a government dinner. Abernathy was on his first trip abroad.

ICELAND PRICE LEADER

Canadians shaken by the upward surge of living costs can be grateful they are not trying to make ends meet in Iceland or even in sunny Portugal.

Figures just published by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and development show consumer prices have been rising in Iceland at four times Canada's rate. Portuguese prices have inflated almost twice as fast as in Canada. In neighboring Spain, however, prices have been reasonably stable.

The OECD report, which compares developments in member countries up to mid-summer, shows Canada in 10th spot among the 21 countries in the inflation ratings.

Canadian consumer prices had increased by five per cent in a year. Annual rates of increase elsewhere in the OECD ranged between Spain's 2.2 per cent and Iceland's 21.4 per cent. Portuguese prices went up by 9.4 per cent.

Canadian consumers fared relatively well compared with counterparts in the main industrial countries, with a lower rate of inflation than the Dutch, the Japanese, the French, the Americans and the British.

Consumer prices rose by 7.3 per cent in The Netherlands, 7.2 per cent in Japan, 6.5 in France, 5.5 in the United States and 5.3 per cent in Britain.

Better off than Canada among the 10 richest countries were West Germany, with price inflation of only 2.7 per cent; Switzerland, 3 per cent; Italy, 3.1 and Belgium, 4 per cent.

The OECD says the various consumer price indexes are adjusted to the same year base for comparison, but the goods and services covered by the national indexes vary somewhat. As such, the comparisons are a rough guide.

Canada shapes up less progressively in another table comparing the growth rates of industrial production, ranking eighth among nine top industrial countries in the rate of output growth during the year to last summer.

The report shows Canadian industrial production expanded by 4.3 per cent in a range between Japan's 16.1 per cent. Average for all OECD countries is 8.6 per cent.

Ahead of Canada, apart from Japan, are West Germany, with growth of 13.2 per cent; Belgium, 10.1; The Netherlands, 9; Italy, 8.7; Switzerland, 8.5 and the United States, 5.5.

The rate for France is not given because of distortions at the beginning of the review year in mid-1968, when general strikes hit French production.

About the only way a woman can get domestic help nowadays is to marry it.

Mother of modern teenager to friend: "Yes, I always wanted to be the mother of a child with lovely, soft, long blond curls — but I always thought it would be a girl."



THE GUEST SPEAKER for the luncheon was Dr. Chester Ronning of Camrose. Also pictured are Rev. Osborne Olson and Mr. Sig Sorenson.

Solglyt Lodge made history in January when a new luncheon club, Torske Klubeen was organized by Bro. Sig. Sorenson. The club is limited to 50 business and professional men who will meet the first Tuesday of every month. The first

luncheon was held February 3. in the Viking Room at the Scandinavian Centre. Delicious cod fish was served with melted butter, whole potatoes, carrots and flat bread.

The main speaker was Dr. Chester Ronning, world famous diplomat

and former principal of Camrose Lutheran College. Mr. Harvey Hauge was elected the "Boss" Mr. Inge Anderson, Treasurer and Mr. Grant Erikson, Secretary. The next luncheon will be held on March 3.

ALMA HALBERG OF RILEY PASSES AWAY

Alma was born in a log house near the town of Norton, North Dakota on November 4th, 1893, to Fredrick and Louise Lundin. Her father had emigrated from Sweden and her mother from Norway and they were married in North Dakota. She was the second child in a family of five.

At the time of her birth, Mrs. Anna Halberg, who lived in the district acted as mid-wife. Schang Halberg who was 3 years old waited in the kitchen while his future wife was born.

In the spring of 1898 her father took a homestead in the Latona district about 7 miles away. Their furniture and belongings were loaded on a hay rack, together with her mother, her sister Thea and baby brother Elmer they went to the house of John Johnson who was the nearest neighbour to their new home. They remained there through the summer while their home was being built and although under five years of age, vividly remembers going with her mother in a horse drawn buggy up to the new home with the meals for the work crew.

The new home was located on a sandy knoll and a solid foundation and basement were built with the generous supply of large stones in the area. It had two bedrooms upstairs and on the main floor, another bedroom, a parlor and a large kitchen. The stone walled basement also turned out to be a good place to go when threatening tornadoes forced the family to take cover.

In the early years on the homestead many enjoyable memories were recalled of herding the cows with her sister Thea. As there were no fences at that time, herding the cows was a daily chore, and each

morning they would leave home and spend the day out around the meadows and slews, keeping the herd from straying off. A large rock which was flat on top served as a table for their noon lunch and they played many games around it.

A school was established only 1½ miles away, however walking this distance in the blizzards that North Dakota is famous for, was no joke. At this time, her father was elected chairman of the district school board and to try and overcome this problem, they tried having school in the summer-time. After two years it was dropped, presumably because the children were needed on the farms by their parents. These were busy times for children and there was always work to be done, but Alma had always enjoyed softball and other sports of the day.

After completing her grades at the Latona school she attended summer school at the Teachers College at Mayville, North Dakota for two summers. Following her graduation, she returned to the Adams district to teach and many interesting accounts have been related about the problems that had to be faced by a young inexperienced teacher. The students ranged from grade one to eight and some were even older than the teacher.

On November 29, 1913 she married Schang Halberg and the ceremony was performed by Judge Sheppard in the Court House at Grafton, North Dakota. Her sister and brother-in-law, Thea and Oscar Helley, stood up with them and her father, Fredrick was also present to give the bride away.

In the following years the new bride and her husband resided in and around Adams where their first

three children Levina, Ruth and Fredrick were born.

During the 20's the farming condition worsened in North Dakota and in the summer of 1922 they emigrated to Canada and settled in the Ryley, Alberta district. Alma and the children — Fred at this time only five months old — arrived first. They were met by her sister Thea and family, and her mother and father who had preceded them to Canada earlier. It is said there was much rejoicing between the cousins. Schang followed in the fall after he disposed of the property and furnishings.

In the intervening years between 1922 and 1935 they resided at Ryley, where Evelyn was born, at Calmar where Norma was born and at Viking where Esther, Ellsworth and Arlene were born.

The spring of 1936 saw Alma and Schang off on a long automobile trip back to Grand Forks, North Dakota, as delegates to the District Sons of Norway Convention. It was some trip as there was little gravel and lots of mud. During these years she was active in the Lutheran Ladies' Aid and there were fond memories of fresh baked bread, cinnamon buns, donuts, lefse and lutfisk.

The summer of 1941 saw the family move to Edmonton, where they lived for a number of years, before moving to Fort Saskatchewan and retiring to Ryley in 1957.

Alma was an Honorary member of Sons of Norway and a shareholder in the Scandinavian Centre. She enjoyed travelling and in the recent years felt that the only way to go was by jet.

Their 50th Wedding Anniversary was celebrated in 1963 and on this

occasion all the children were home at one time. This was a very happy event for Alma.

After a brief illness in the Tofield General Hospital, Alma passed away on January 26th, 1970. She is survived by her husband Schang, two sons and six daughters, Fred and Ellsworth of Edmonton, Mrs. Levina Loades, Ryley, Mrs. Ruth Johnson, Powell River B.C., Mrs. Evelyn Gumbleton, Vancouver, B.C., Mrs. Norma Main, Haney, B.C., Mrs. Esther Smith, Mynarski Park, Alta., Mrs. Arlene Toombs, Powell River, B.C., 25 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, one sister and three brothers, Mrs. Thea Helley, Edmonton, Mr. Elmer Lundin, Ryley, Mr. Ludwig Lundin, Langley, B.C., Mr. Oscar Lundin of Tofield.

DID YOU KNOW?

The arctic explorer, Vilhjalmur Stefansson was born in Arnes, Manitoba.

In the seventeenth century, Nils Steenson of Copenhagen argued convincingly that fossils were the remains of living things. After that people who studied fossils gradually came around to the belief that they were indeed the relics of bygone organisms.

Erik the Red, first settler of Greenland, was born in Jaeren, Norway.



Scandinavian History and Culture Probed

Radio CKUA Nov. 30th 1969

Olaf Sveen: On an earlier program the women of the Viking period was talked about. Dr. Nelson, who is here today, told about the women of the early Northmen society and how the later wealth, slaves, and power centered in kings changed the basic relationship in the family. Today we will go on with the discussion of the women in the Northmen society and Miss Donna Jaeger, a graduate student of the University of Alberta, is here to ask Dr. Nelson some question. Miss Jaeger:

How were the women looked upon by the men of the Viking era? Dr. Nelson:

This is a complex question because there were so many classes of women during the Viking era. Let's start with the group which may have been farthest from mind, the slave women. These were largely Slav and Celtic women taken by a peasant or earl Viking as a share of profit or booty. Slave women were treated as pleasurable property. "Kenningar" or figures of speech, such as "chance love", "bond woman", "love whisper", and "secret meeting" express the general attitude. Rather complete descriptions of Viking habits in regard to slave women are provided by Arabic traders. These people were well disposed to the Northmen and gave unemotional reports of their habits, unlike those writing in the old Christian countries of Europe. Arabs and Vikings traded peaceably and extensively for many centuries, the home of the Arabs, vaguely referred to as "Serkland" (land of the Saracens), being ordinarily too distant to suffer more than the occasional raid by small forces of Rus. An Arabic ammissary, called Ibn Fadlan, gave the following report:

"They arrive from their distant lands and lay their ships alongside the banks of the Volga, which is a great river, and there they build great wooden houses on its shores. Ten or twenty of them live together in one house, and each of them has a couch of his own where he sits and diverts himself with the pretty slaves girls whom he has brought along for sale. He will make love with one of them in the presence of his comrades; sometimes this develops into a communal orgy, and,

if a customer should turn up to buy a girl, the Rus will not let her go until he is finished with her."

Ibn Fadlan also gives an account of the killing of a female slave in a religiously motivated ceremony. He happened to be an eyewitness to a ship burial and cremation involving a dead Viking leader and his slave-girl. In this, he describes how she volunteers to die and be cremated with her chieftan. The funeral rites occupy ten days, during this time several ritualistic orgies and mystical perceptions of the slave girls are described. From the details of this account one gathers that sexual relations between Viking men and women were sometimes religiously based; the vigorous sexual expression that they were so famous, or infamous for, did not always arise from sheer lust. Fadlan too, gives a detailed account of the role played by a female religious figure who sacrifices the slave-girl and who was called "The Angel of Death" by the Vikings.

I suppose, however, that you meant how did the men look upon women in their homeland? To answer that, it must be remembered that the society was made up of three classes of people and that expectations were different for the women of each. The famous old Icelandic poem called the RIGSTULA or SONG OF RIG sets the standard for us.

THRALL men and women compromise the lowest class and together do the hardest chores. Little better than slaves, they tend the animals, build fences, prepare land, cut wood, manure fields and dig peat. The women are said to be inclined to excessive gossip and secretiveness. Figures of speech for thrall women include "cinders", "lumpy legs", "scrub nose" and "sunburned".

PEASANT women were expected to be buxom housekeepers and to participate in home industries, such as cloth making, brewing, and food preservation. EARL women — daughters and wives of community leaders — were to superintend home industries and develop a demeanour mirroring the power of their husbands. Kennings (figures of speech) for these two groups include "goddess of jewels and trinkets", "ale-server", "needle worker" and "healer."

It is possible to gain another view of what was expected of women from the mythology of the Northmen culture. This mythology probably represents older and more basic notions. According to Jacob Grimm in his Teutonic Mythology, the Scandinavian goddesses taught the human race spinning, weaving, tending the hearth, sowing and reaping. They kept aloof from wars and battles, their labours bringing peace and quiet to the land. The chief exception to this were the VALKYRIES, goddesses who hear the warriors killed in battle, and act as Amazon guard to Odin in Valhalla. The most important of the goddesses were the three norns who spun the web of fate from which no human, an even Odin himself could escape. Their web of fate eventually leads to the destruction of the tree of life and thence the earth and the death of the gods and heroes of Valhalla.

Finally, we have materials from the Eddas. These are believed to directly describe the earliest mentality of the Northmen. In two poems, one called THE WISDOM OF THE HIGHEST and the other ODINS LOVE LESSONS, one finds men advised not to centre their life too much around women. If this is done, it will lead to disappointment.

Miss Jaeger:

How were the men looked upon by the women of the Viking society?

Dr. Nelson:

This is easier since almost all of the literature deals with men. THRALL men were to do the work previously mentioned. "Kenningar" were "clod", "lout", "mud", "log", "stumpy" and so on. In an age where so much was done "by might and main," a strong and independent minded thrall was not easily kept in a subordinate status. One of the most famous Norse kings, Olaf Trygvason, was sold as a thrall when he was young. However, the weaker thralls we can guess lived in slave-like bondage. The kind of man the ordinary thrall was is mirrored in a speech attributed to Harold Harshruler. Harold visits a thrall who has been living and working independently for some period. In the story he says he handed the fellow a white pullover, the symbol of thralldom, and said:

"Do you know this kirtle? A cow

you owe me as my due, you must pay me a swine and fat goose as my due. A full grown oxen you owe me as my due, your children and all you earn you owe me as my due. Many are the schemes a man has! Your wench you owe me as my due also."

PEASANT men were to go war-ringing besides tilling fields and making tools. Figures of speech used in referring to them were "smith", "neighbour", "burly" and "broad beard."

EARL men were responsible for the political organization of the area, initiated and organized war parties, and conducted religious observances (there were no full-time clergy so far as we know in pagan days). They also represented the warriors at peace meetings and judged disputes within the community. Men of this group were expected to be expert in games and to have mastered RUNIC wisdom. Poetic ways of referring to them were "kinsman", "swain", "heir" and "friend". Of the son of mothir — the mother of the first warrior-chieftan to be created, and from which the word mother in English is directly derived — we read: "Blond, was his hair, and bright his cheeks; grim as a snake were his glowing eyes." In their role of warrior, both peasant and earl men were called "wolf feeder", "carrion maker", "war maker", "ship stealer", "Aash tree", and so forth. But the earl men were expected to be the most skillful and relentless of fighters. However, the chief virtue of both peasant and earl, we are told, lay in their ability to accept death in combat without flinching. A stone raised by a woman to her husband Asbjorn makes this commemoration: "He did not flee in the battle of Upsala but fought while he had weapons in his hands."

Things are not always as desired however. So, in due course, the literature also points out that the men did not always represent what women were traditionally supposed to want. In one story called the ORDEAL OF GUDRUN the mother Gudrun — eggs on her sons to avenge their sister who has been killed by Ermanarik the Goth. The lay starts by saying:

"I heard the bitterest bickering and hard words spoken forth of deep sorrow, when stern hearted Gudrun egged on her sons with

fierce words — Why do you sit, why sleep your life away? How can you bear to be cheerful? and so on. Another episode taking place within what is now Eastern Canada tells of a woman by the name Freydis. In the SAGA OF LEIF ERIKSSON, Freydis finds the Vikings retreating from attacking Eskimos. This enrages her. Loosely translated, she says:

"Why are you running away from these miserable wretches? Fine fellows like you could kill them like cattle, I should think. If I were armed, I could do a better job than any of you."

According to the story, they continued to run with the Eskimos in pursuit. But Freydis was pregnant and on account of this she was too slow to keep up with the retreating men. While falling behind, she came across a dead Viking with a sword still at his side, she picked it up and stopped running. As the Eskimos closed in, she pulled both breasts out of her shift and began to wet the sword on them. At this point, according to the VINLAND SAGA the Eskimos became so terrified that they fled to their boats.

As I've indicated, this was what men though women expected of men. It was a highly selective awareness. What the women expected we unfortunately really can not know because men are responsible for the literature. There isn't any writing left by a woman, excepting that on a few rune stones. Set in memory of the dead these contain only cryptic messages. They aren't much help because rune stones never reveal the feeling of the person raising it, no matter whether they were male or female. We don't know, for example, how pleased the woman was with heroic Viking death when she raised a stone reading:

"Thorgerd raised this stone to her mother's brother, Ozur. He died in the east in the land of the Greeks. Five sons had the good bondi Culli. The brave soldier Asmund fell at Fyris; Ozur died in the east in the land of the Greeks; Halfdan was slain on Bornholm; Kari at . . . ; Bui too is dead."

It seems there must have been a lot of bad news for women in those days.

Olaf Sveen:

I will thank Dr. Nelson and Miss Donna Jaeger for the very interesting discussion.

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SONS OF NORWAY CELEBRATE 75TH ANNI VERSARY

Installation of new officers and the 75th anniversary of the founding of Sons of Norway was attended by about 160 members and friends on January 17, in spite of temperature in the twenties. There were many highlights during the evening which began at 6:30 p.m. with a Smorgasbord catered by Stella who had two long tables most attractively decorated and laden with the finest of food. At the finale of the smorgasbord the lights were turned off and a huge birthday cake with 75 lit candles was wheeled in by Solglyt's queen Donna Bukvi. Everyone stood up and sang "Happy Birthday" and was later treated to the cake.

Head table guest speaker Sig. Sorenson gave an interesting speech outlining the "Saga of Sons of Norway". He was ably assisted by Lorna Ferrel and Warren Clark. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Von Rosen representative of Scandinavian Airlines and headtable guests presented the Lodge with a book "Embrace of Life" — Sculptures by Gustav Vigeland to which President Joe Lineham on behalf of the Lodge expressed thanks and appreciation. S.A.S. also presented a floral arrangement to the Lodge. Another highlight of the evening was the presentation of an inscribed plaque and lodge pin to Sister Ragna Sivertsen from the Lodge in appreciation of her loyalty and hard work over the years. Bro. Harvey Haugen, 4th. District Social Director, expressed birthday wishes to the



SOLGLYT'S QUEEN Donna Bukvi displays 75th Anniversary cake. Watching with interest are Mrs. Selma Sorenson, Lodge President Stan Hafso and Mrs. Hafso, Knut Svidal and Mrs. O. Von Rosen.

Lodge on behalf of the 4th. District. Bro. Stan Hafso, chairman of the evening, presented Bro. Joe Lineham with a past president pin and commended him on the good work in his three years as President of the Lodge. He also read congratulatory telegrams from Mrs. Margret Eliasson on behalf of the Vasa Lodge and from the Supreme Lodge in Minneapolis, U.S.A.

Bro. Knut Svidal, Supreme Lodge Director, presented the Lodge with

a Sons of Norway flag and performed the Installation Ceremonies assisted by installing Marshalls sister Clara Lineham and sister Olga McBride. The newly elected officers are as follows: President — Stanley Hafso, Vice-President — Inge Anderson, Councillor — Joe Lineham, Secretary — Betty Travis, Asst. Secretary — Fred Neilsen, Treasurer — Phil Olstad, Financial Secretary — Min Strand, Marshall — Myrle Travis, Asst. Marshall — Thor Berg,

PAST PRESIDENT Joe Lineham makes the presentation of a plaque to Mrs. Ragna Sivertsen for her loyalty and hard work to the Lodge.



Social Director — Gladys Clark, Assists — Reidun Berg, and Carl Elgstrand. Inner Guard — Anders Anderson, Trustees — Kalmar Amdam, Clifford Johnson and Richard Larsen, Historian — Isabell Mjaatveit, Junior Director — Lorna Ferrel, Asst. Director — Marion Iverson, Librarian — Selma Sorenson, Sports Director — Peter Hansen, Asst. sports directors — Jan Nordbo and Betty McKeivitt, Musician — Del Melsness.

The Installation Ceremonies were concluded by the Drill team under the direction of Clara Lineham putting on a display of several different drills which were well received. Dancing began at 9:30 to the music of the Travellers Orchestra. The first dance, a waltz, was played to honor Sons of Norway queen, Donna Bukvi, in her recent engagement to Ron Hucal; the wedding to take place in March.

VASA LODGE SKANDIA



The February meeting of Vasa Lodge Skandia was held on Saturday, the seventh, in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre. Chairman Lennart Petersson opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

District Master John Holmlund, his wife Annie, and daughter Fay were visitors to the meeting, as was District Secretary Bert Johnson.

The younger members of the Lodge took over the offices for the evening, and were installed in their stations by Past District Deputy Linnea Lodge. The Officers were: Chairman Rita Pearson, Vice-chairman James Johnson, Treasurer Ron Runcer, Master of Ceremonies Karen Runcer, Assistant Master of Ceremonies Lorne Weiss, and Chaplain Linda Samuelson. An admirable job was done by all.

Members reported as sick include Allan Molin, Nels Carlson, John Enger, Carl Elgstrand, John Jarret, Gust Lundgren, Esther Erickson, Joan Knutson, Marj Elgstrand, Minnie Nelson, and Anna Sund.

The Sick Committee elected for 1970 includes John Anderson, Magnus Pearson, Herman Nelson, Milda Backstrom, Hansine Pierre, and Alma Samuelson.

The 1970 Land Committee has for members, Chairman Emil Weiss, Secretary Willard Modin, Treasurer Eric Pierre, Harold Markstrom,

Helge Erickson, Mary Pearson, and Betty Pearson.

The Lodge will sponsor a sleigh ride for the young members, and the young at heart. James Johnson is in charge of arrangements.

Scandapades will be an event of the past when this is read. Our ushers for the evening were Linda Samuelson, and Lorne Weiss. In charge of baking were Anna Sund and Milda Backstrom.

District Master John Holmlund, and District Secretary Bert Johnson addressed the meeting.

Greetings were brought by Betty Pearson from Gordon and Shirley Pearson in Anaheim, California, and from Elva Frederking in Santa Ana, California.

Willard Modin brought greetings from Sister Lodges in Toronto, and Ashland, Wisc.

Our Vasa Singers are still practicing every second Sunday, in the Scandinavian Centre. New voices would be greatly appreciated. Gertrude Holmgren can provide you with more details.

A lovely lunch was donated and served by Vera Hyde, Grace Maxwell, and Florence Erickson. Following lunch, a very interesting talk and demonstration was given by a member of the Edmonton Police Force on Police Security Dogs.

DATES TO REMEMBER

SATURDAY, MARCH 7 —

7:00 p.m. — Regular monthly meeting of Vasa Lodge Skandia will be held in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre.

9:00 P.M. — Wine tasting party under the direction of Elwood and Fae Johnson. This has proven very popular in the past, so come and be one of the crowd. It is well worth the admission price.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8 —

1:00 P.M. — The regular monthly meeting of the Children's Club, downstairs in the Scandinavian Centre. One of the Children's Club books is missing, The Vasa Songbook. If anyone knows of its whereabouts, Gertie Holmgren would appreciate a call.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13 —

8:00 P.M. — The Ladies' Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Anderson, 7109 - 106 St.

SUNDAY, MARCH 15 —

6:00 P.M. — The Annual Pot Luck Supper or Dieters Dilemma will be held in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre. All members and their families are welcome. Admission is a pot of something!

Entertainment will be provided by the Vasa Singers, and the Children's Club.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21 —

8:00 A.M. — The District Curling 'Spiel will take place at the St. Albert Curling Rink. Emil Weiss or Milton Fawcett can give you further details.

7:00 P.M. — A banquet and dance will follow the days curling.

VASA GLIMPSES

Sunday, February 1, was a very important day in the life of Svea Erickson. It was her eightieth birthday! The event was celebrated on Saturday, January 31 by a coffee party put on by Svea's daughters Martha Kay, and Lulu Lundgren. The basement of Eastwood United Church was hardly large enough to accommodate all the friends who came to wish Svea a Happy Birthday. A telegram from Chrissie and Ida McMillan and family was read before Betty Pearson presented Svea with a gift of money. On Sunday, Svea had the neighbours in for cake and coffee, and before they arrived who was out shovelling snow? None other than Svea!

Lulu and Harold Lundgren with daughter Lisa motored from Saskatoon to help celebrate Svea's Birthday.

Mike and Lillian Collins are off sun bathing in Hawaii.

Ken and Carol Banks have moved into their new house. New address is 14224 - 86 St., and their new phone number is 475-5493.

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LOST. One Stetson hat, Mallory make. John Holmlund ended up with this hat on Saturday, February 7, at the Scandinavian Centre. He would like his own back. If you can help in this matter please phone Audrey Eliasson at 454-6357.

Football Replaces Skiing for Stenerud

JAN STENERUD, who came from Norway to Montana State University on a skiing scholarship and later became the outstanding place kicker of the Kansas City Chiefs, played an important part in the Chief's 23-7 victory over the Minnesota Vikings in this year's Super Bowl game. He scored the game's first nine points and later added two, for a total of eleven. Stenerud, who is originally from Fetsund, earned \$15,000 as a member of the winning team.

EASTER IN SWEDEN

Through the centuries, Swedes have hit on an ingenious and pretty way of hastening spring's advance. In the market-places they buy sprigs of silver birch, a tree whose slender speckled white trunk forms so indigenous a part of the Swedish countryside. Bound to their tips, these sprigs have gaily coloured chicken feathers. Taking home her Easter sprigs, the housewife puts them into vases which she puts in the sitting-room. Forced by sunshine and central heating, the sprigs burst into tender green about three weeks after picking.

Few people nowadays recall their origin, or that they are connected with Good Friday — which in Sweden is dubbed 'Long Friday'. The sprigs, it is said, symbolize the scourging of Christ. In times past, everyone used to get up early on Good Friday and begin whipping each other with birch twigs. The girls beat the boys, and the boys beat the girls. The servants beat their masters, and the masters their servants. This grisly custom, mercifully, has died out, but the feather-tipped birch branches serve as a reminder.

Whether early or late, Easter is always welcome. Not so much because it is the first great festival of the Swedish year, but as proof positive that there will be a spring this year too.

Easter Eve is especially important to the children. They dress up in odd disguises and go round with a special kind of greeting, the Posk brev, or Easter letter. Nowadays this takes the form of a folded paper adorned with drawings and the words Glad Posk (Happy Easter). The most usual subject is a witch flying on a broomstick complete with a black cat and a copper kettle. This is because the witches of Sweden are traditionally supposed to fly to Blockula or some other meeting-place at Easter, there to hold conference with the Devil. Once the letters contained verses used by the witches, but now simple drawings are more usual. The children push them through the letter boxes in their friends houses, and then let off crackers and fireworks in the street. The latter custom is a relic from the days when their elders lit bonfires or fired guns to drive the flying witches from their houses.

Most important is the timeless fascination of painting eggs. As in many other countries, the eggs served at Easter must have a gay pattern or a comic face. But perhaps eggs and their decoration play a greater role here or, at least a more ancient one, for Swedes still tend to celebrate the eve of the old festivals in the old way. Thus when the children get home from delivering their Pask brev, they set about a vast number of eggs. For, hard-boiled or soft, eggs are the main dish to be served on this Saturday before Easter. Some families compete to see who can eat the most — from ten to twenty is not unusual.

Round the Swedish Year
Easter and Its Customs

NORWAY'S POPULATION increased by about 33,000 in 1969 and was estimated at 3,867,000 at the year's end by the Central Bureau of Statistics.

NORDSTJARNAN NEWS

On January 25, eight teams of six participated in the Nordstjarnan Bowl-a-rama held in Wetaskiwin; and by all reports, it was an afternoon well spent. Bill Streit, our genial host and manager of Western Lanes, made the presentations of trophies nad prizes. Capturing top place was John Remin's team including Carl Brown, Nellie Sjogren, Mona Robins, Pete Nelson and Bertil Brown; while Henry Sjogren's team placed a close second. Very few pins separated each of the remaining teams. John also received a 300 Pin for his 320 high single. A delicious lunch provided by those in attendance was enjoyed by all. The interest shown by members in this social event was most rewarding.

In order to complete all draws, our local lodge Curling 'Spiel began with four rinks playing the evening before January 31. As usual, it was a successful affair with hearty "pot-luck" meals available throughout the day. In the first event, Cliff Robins and his rink-mates Impi Torninen, Jack Krause and Monica Sjogren walked off with the top honors by defeating Ben Holmlund's rink. In the second event, it was Skip Buster Sjolund with Jack Tapio, Elsie Stephan and Phyllis Tapio who placed first after defeating Henry Sjogren's rink. Much appreciation goes to those who worked on this Committee as it always takes a great deal of time in the preparation.

The regular monthly meeting, which was well-attended, was held at the home of Henry Sjogren on February 7. Our new chairman, Br. Louis Thorsen, was installed by District Deputy Sr. Olga Brown. A one-

minute silence was observed in memory of our departed brother, Carl Hendrickson. A committee was appointed: namely, Ben Holmlund and Buster Sjolund, to select two teams from this lodge to be entered in the District Curling. This is being held at the St. Albert Curling Rink on March 21 with Skandia Lodge, Edmonton, as host.

The very best of good wishes are extended to Sr. Amy Olson who had the misfortune of slipping on an icy spot. We trust that she has not suffered too severely and that she has recovered completely now.

Reports are that Sr. Gudrun Lind some time in hospital and Sr. Carrie Thorsen is still hospitalized. John Remin is home from the Rehabilitation Clinic in Edmonton. Many have experienced lengthy bouts with the flu. To these members and all others on the sick list, we wish a speedy recovery.

District Master John Holmlund attended the Buford Lodge meeting on January 29 at which time he installed the new slate of officers. Br. Holmlund also attended the Executive Board meeting in Edmonton on February 7. Mrs. Holmlund accompanied John on each of these occasions.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Sr. Elsie Stephan on March 7. Kindly note that very likely there will be a change made in the regular April meeting. Date is uncertain at the present time.

On April 18, Nordstjarnan Lodge is hosting the District Bowling Tournament in Wetaskiwin. Details concerning this event will be forwarded to each lodge.

DANIA DOINGS



Friday, March 13th will be a Western Nite. Real western hospitality will welcome you. We hope to see many in cowboy outfits, 5 gallon hats and all... With your help we will try to make it a real western.

Our New Year's Dance at the South Side Legion was well attended despite the very cold weather. The Membership Draw for \$40.00 was won by Mr. and Mrs. Bent Leth.

Please ladies come to "Bikuben's" meeting the third Monday, March 16th at 8:00 p.m., 12424 - 141 Street. The ladies invited their men-folk on Saturday, Feb. 14th to a get-together — we all enjoyed ourselves. Now the ladies will have to get busy to make something for a Bazaar and sale of home baking in the near future. So come and join in.

Remember the Whistdrive on Wednesday, March 11th at 8:00 p.m. April the 8th will be the last Whistdrive for this season.

BUFORD NEWS

District Master John Holmlund and his wife attended our January meeting and gave their capable assistance in the installation of officers. Our thanks go to both of them. There was a change in the list of officers — Glenn Pearson is now the newly nominated and elected assistant secretary.

A list of entertainment committees was drawn up for the events of the coming year. These lists will be passed out to the members at the next meeting. The Smorgasbord committee is making their plans now and the probable date will be April the 10th.

Mr. Gus Modin has moved from the Wetaskiwin hospital to the nursing home in Leduc.

The winning team of Vasa Curling Club for the first "Round Robin" was skipped by Bob Ladouceur. His players were Glenn Pearson,

Hildur and Algot Pearson went to Lloydminster to help Algot's mother, Augusta Pearson, celebrate her birthday.

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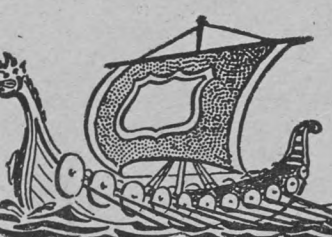
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UNEXPECTED EVENTS ON S.S. ORONSAY CRUISE

BY LILLIAN SUMARLIDASON

As we looked out on the sun-swept harbor at Funchal, in the island of Madeira, we were pleasantly surprised to see that the P and O luxury liner, the S.S. Oronsay had docked in the early morning hours.

For three days, we had been guests at the famous Reid Hotel, known the world over for its charm and its excellent cuisine. We had enjoyed conducted tours around this volcanic island, and had a pleasant walk through the business sections, finding the Portuguese islanders friendly, bi-lingual and helpful. Their shops held lovely souvenirs, typical of their craftsmanship.

However, it was December 20th. We had memorized this as the date for boarding the S.S. Oronsay, and head for home with memories made rich with events in Portugal, Spain, and Morocco. We knew that the Christmas and New Year celebrations promised to be different, yet the thoughts that we would be in Canada by Jan. 14th seemed a bit closer with the arrival of the ship from Southampton, England.

From the moment we crossed the gangplank and discovered our cabin on D Deck we felt the friendliness of this particular ship. Earlier, when crossing the Atlantic towards Europe, on the S.S. Iberia, so many unexpected troubles seemed to happen, providing a liberal sea-going education for two land-locked Canadians from Alberta, and a new appreciation for the officers and crew in the P and O organization.

The atmosphere of the Oronsay was cosy and cheerful. The congenial character was evident, from the respected captain, down through the ranks to the dark skinned cabin boy from Goa, India. All of us seemed confident that the festivities of the holiday season would do much to dispel the regrets of missing out on the warmth of the family circles far away.

It seems to be an easy procedure for making friends aboard a ship. The recreational officers do much to involve the most reluctant of passengers with games, cards, contests, theatre, deck gatherings and dances. Even watching the everchanging scene of water and waves is a happy diversion. In only four days we had become acquainted with many agreeable fellow-travellers, and by Christmas morning many a cheerful kiss was exchanged with the jolliest of yuletide greetings. The hours flew by in such a merry setting, and we felt enriched by the desire of all on board for making it a memorable occasion.

A tour of Bermuda was scheduled for Boxing Day, with luncheon at the Breakers Club. Some on board discussed the Asian Flu which was rampant in many countries by this time. The many types of winter colds were evident at times, but each victim would soon reappear seemingly recovered and ready to join in again. So it would go, daily new interests. The next port of call was the Miami, Florida dock at Port Everglades where we moored close to the giant Queen Elizabeth liner, being made ready as a floating convention centre and pleasure hotel. Another conducted tour of the many districts which comprise the metropolis of Miami proved to be most interesting, and we agreed with the caption on the billboard

which read 'You should see the state Miami is in'.

Later, sailing to Nassau, Bahamas we inspected the dock-side markets and the native shops, happy to discover Canadian firms with their familiar signs which served to renew our feeling of belonging to a favored nation, having seen so many areas less favored than ours. Now we were homeward bound through the Panama Canal, with the twin settlements of Colon and Cristobal on the Atlantic side of the Panama strip.

The two names translate into Christopher Columbus, from the Spanish, and it gave a sense of history to navigate the same waters as the famed explorer.

To give the passengers full advantage for seeing the entire Panama project, the ship's restaurant staff arranged a delightful smorgasbord in the B deck ballroom. We were able to eat the delicious food on deck, sharing each new viewpoint with all and sundry.

On reaching the Pacific terminus, the shops of Balboa and Panama City were closed in respect of their president whose death had occurred.

As we went ashore at the Pacific side of the canal zone, no inkling of a problem on board our luxury liner had been given. Yet on retrospect, we can recall certain events which pointed to the possibility of great concern in the surgery and hospital region of the ship. This area was popular with those with deep-seated coughs and the usual illnesses found in so large a group of people. The pretty little nurse could hardly hide her worries as she announced one morning that the doctor was not available, having attended a case of emergency, and "I mean an emergency" — she added with great emphasis.

Now it is recalled that many women complained of the nauseating odor in the wash-room from some strong disinfectant. All of us were unaware that extreme caution was the order from the ship's doctor to those of the crew serving the public.

Leaving Acapulco, small groups gathered, all wondering if and what was taking place. However, so many attractions had been arranged, it was easy to be cheerfully occupied. We remained carefree and unapprehensive.

Also recalling the presence of three gang planks at Los Angeles. The two, first class and tourist, gang planks were in place yet a third was being carefully fastened, high on A deck. It must have been where an ill crew-member was removed to isolation in a shoreside hospital.

By this time the word "TYPHOID" was being whispered about. Later in the evening as we steamed northwards towards San Francisco, the voice of the captain came over the loud speakers. In his short remarks, he announced the suspicion of the communicable disease patient being taken off the ship, and the necessity for inoculation immediately.

Now the word was out, and many objections were raised from such an unexpected turn of events. By noon, many were determined not to submit to inoculation, others felt it was not so serious, and some were non-committal on their wishes for the needle.

During the lunch hour, with its attendant cacophony of sounds, the captain's voice was heard in an announcement. At the first sound of his voice a complete silence ensued. He advised there would be no mass inoculation. As his voice died away a director of any drama would appreciate the dramatic pause caused by the announcement a few seconds, then followed by laughter, chatter and gay abandon. All conceded that it had been a false alarm. We drank freely of the water, ate salads and felt sorry for the waiters, who complained of sore arms, and eye distortions from their compulsory inoculations.

None of us realized that it had been a shortage of serum which prevented the precaution and wisdom of medical insurance against future contamination.

For three days in San Francisco we mingled freely in the shops, theatres and night clubs showing the public we felt no worry or danger.

Leaving San Francisco at noon on a Monday there was much speculation when we were told that six sick crew-men had been taken to hospital while we were in San Francisco. By nine o'clock on the evening of Jan. 13th, one day from Vancouver, we were advised to go to surgery for inoculation. By this time the entire list of passengers seemed willing to submit, taking chances that it would induce no ill effects or other unknown discomforts.

Next morning, the usual coffee tray arrived earlier, and by 6:30 we found our way to the lounge in first class, there to wait for the next five hours for the results of the medical conference on the pros and cons of this tragic situation.

By 11:30, the Vancouver bound passengers were given medical clearance and an alert card to be presented on the first sign of any ailment to any medical authority. However, all in-transit passengers were required to remain on board.

We cleared customs and being among the first to appear, suffered many curious stares. Reporters from the Vancouver dailies, pencils in hand, asked pointed questions which we declined to answer. The T.V. cameras dwelt on our short walk outside where we felt an extreme sense of rescue. But only for a short moment for now we were faced with the dilemma of where next? The doubts which were forming seemed insoluble. Where to go? As the lepers of old, with no place to lay their heads, crying 'Unclean' to ward of any contacts, we felt the uncertainty which never before had been our lot.

The incubation period lasts about 21 days, and we were told to start counting from the hour we left the ship. The Board of Health said it was advisable to remain in B.C. and be on guard for symptoms, exercising care.

Against our better judgement, we accepted the warm invitation of our semi-invalid relations to put in the waiting period in their home. This places them in a special category for the great characters of our time, when even hotels and motels would prefer not to have us as guests. We (Continued on page 11)

ICELANDIC NEWSLETTER

DATES TO REMEMBER —
MARCH 15TH — 2 - 5 p.m. Viking Room Scandinavian Centre - 14220 - 125 Ave.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Icelandic Society invite you to a coffee party and "Tumbola". The highlight of the afternoon will be the showing of colored slides by Mr. and Mrs. H. Sumarladason, taken during their Caribbean Cruise.

MARCH 17 at 8 p.m. Planning meeting for the Icelandic Language lessons. At Thorvaldson's, 6012 - 101A Avenue. For information, call Lillian Macpherson at 434-6586.

NOTICE —
We wish to inform all members and friends of the Icelandic Society that our annual March dance has been cancelled.

Birthday Greetings go out to Honorary Life Member, Mrs. Gertrude Johnson, Elmwood Nursing Home. She will be celebrating her birthday on March 27th.

The Icelandic Society wishes to thank the following members for their letters:
Mrs. Josie Janssen of Red Deer.
Mrs. Margaret McKeon of Edmonton.
Mrs. Certie Johnson of Edmonton.

Mrs. Martha Burr of Leslie, Sask. visited her cousin Martha and husband, Al Arnason and their family of Edmonton. Mrs. Burr was on an trip to Langley, B.C. to visit her son Mr. Donald Burr.

Mr. Frank Crawford of Calling Lake, owner and operator of Otto's Lake sawmill, 10 miles east of Calling Lake, had the misfortune of losing his entire sawmill by fire during a very cold night in January. The fire was out of control when discovered, and the nearest fire department was 50 miles away in Athabasca.
Investigators found that the fire was caused by an electrical short circuit. Since January Frank has reconstructed his mill and has his

crew back cutting lumber.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Shaw, Louise and Kevin motored to Calgary where Louise, age ten, was in the provincial winter swim competitions. Louise has been taking swimming lessons for one year at the west-end Y.M.C.A. and was qualified to enter all the swim events. Miss Valerie Peterson of Gimli, Manitoba, Mrs. Shaw's sister, met them in Calgary where Valerie was playing in a volleyball tournament. She is the assistant coach at the Gimli High School in the Physical Education Programme. Valerie was on leave of absence and was able to come to Edmonton and spent a week at the Shaw home. While in Calgary they were all the guests of their aunt Mrs. Eggert Borgford.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mitchell have just returned from a visit with their cousin Mrs. Salin Stewart of Vancouver.

We have been informed that The Honourable J. T. Thorson will be on a business trip in Edmonton in the near future. The Icelandic club hope to have the honour of entertaining him again while he is here. Watch your paper for further notice.

Mr. and Mrs. L. MacPherson and family have recently returned from a holiday trip to the west coast.

Miss Matti Halldorson of Winnipeg spent a week's holiday with her brother Bill and his wife, Thora, of Edmonton.

Mr. and Mrs. Fusi Arnfinson, Sooke, B.C., spent the Christmas holidays with Fusi's daughter Corinne and her husband Bob Gust of Vancouver. Fusi and Gladys plan to be in Edmonton in early March for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Oli Kristjanson of Hay River, N.W.T., have recently returned from a holiday trip to Gimli and other points in Manitoba. Oli is employed by Northern Transportation Co. and is stationed at

Hay River.

Mr. and Mrs. George O'Hara are spending the winter holidaying in the United States and Mexico. Leaving Edmonton, they motored to Las Vegas where they spent a month, then on to Houston, Texas and from there to Mexico before returning home. They plan on being away three months.

Mr. C. M. (Mike) Johnson is now a resident of McQueen Lodge, 10910 - 142 St.

During their quarantine in Vancouver, after their cruise on the S.S. Oronsay, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sumarladason were guests at the home of Henry's brother, John Sumarladason. Before the Sumarladason's returned home they visited Lillian's sister, Mrs. Sadie Lee of Qualicum Beach and Mrs. Bertha Key, also of Qualicum Beach.

The Edmonton Icelandic Society wishes to extend its sincere sympathies to the family of the late Mrs. Olson.

Mrs. Sigrun Olson of Markerville passed away January 27, 1970, age 89. Predeceased by her husband, John Andrew in 1934, she is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Regina Johannson of Markerville, Mrs. Kristine Mueller of Olds; two sons Kari and Frederick, both of Markerville; two brothers Franklin Sigurdson of Sylvan Lake and Joe Sigurdson of Balhur, Manitoba; 20 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the Markerville Church on Saturday, January 31 with Reverend John Yoo of Sylvan Lake officiating. Interment followed at the Tindastoil Cemetery. Pallbearers were John Olson, Robert Olson, Leonard Olson, John Johannson, John Dolphin and Donald Mueller.

Congratulations to Mrs. Margaret Cameron and Mr. Herb Vigfusson on being elected to the Board of Directors of the Scandinavian Centre at the annual meeting on February 17th.

S.S. Oronsay —

were comforted by the kind Medical Health Officer and by officials of the P and O line who were in close touch with all who disembarked.

Now began the hours of watching for symptoms, alarmed at even a small sneeze. Luckily we enjoyed the game of bridge, but after a steady diet, morning, noon and night, we should have no misgivings at a tournament.

The news of our quarantine spread quickly over America and concern for our welfare was shown by long distance calls from California, Ontario and Alberta.

As it happened, time proved to be on our side, and the medical authorities justified in risking our departure from the ship, although the news media had built up quite a story.

The yellow flag of fever flew above our good ship Oronsay as she lay in the harbor, indicating a voluntary quarantine. For twenty-two days our new-found friends were forced to look on the beauty

of this fair city of Canada, knowing that they were prevented from discovering its charm. The P and O organization suffered a severe financial set-back but surprisingly enough, no loss of confidence, as evidenced by the large number of passengers who boarded her bound for Hawaii and further points along the way.

The Vancouver citizens sympathized with the plight of the quarantined and provided food treats, magazines, papers, and many concerts on dockside.

On contemplating our fabulous Holiday at Sea, we had been promised much but the crescendo of events as we finished our long journey has given us a new perspective of the responsibilities towards our fellow man, the burden carried by those in authority, and the uncontrolled speculations of the news-media and general public.

Now that the drama is over, we know we were given an unexpected bonus in the adventure of a winter's cruise through the Caribbean and Spanish Main.



The college professor was trying to teach one of his students to use the correct grammar. The student wasn't too eager to learn, however. "What difference does it make if I say 'bad' or 'badly'?" he asked. "They both mean the same thing." The professor pointed to a shapely girl who had just passed by and said:

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Karen Magnussen, a lovely 17 year old girl skating out of Vancouver's North Shore Club, won the Canadian Senior Women's title in Edmonton, February 1st. Karen won the title in 1968 and placed second last year. Her win this year enables her to represent Canada in the World Championships at Ljubljana, Yugoslavia.

CREATIVE PLAY STRESSED AT LEGOLAND

Children have always had fun in the land of Hans Christian Andersen.

But a brand new attraction has just been created in the heart of the Fairytale Country at Billund, Denmark, 44 miles from the 1000-years old town of Ribe. Many excellent hotels and romantic Fairytale Inns are within easy reach.

Legoland, a new kind of playland for children, covers about 10 acres of land, laid out as a park with lakes and water courses, all illuminated in the evenings.

The centre of Legoland is a miniature land built up with towns, villages, railways, harbors and typical old buildings, all built in such a size that children can walk in the streets with a feeling of being in a toyland.

The outer area consists of a road system where children can drive in dynamo cars on realistic roads in correct traffic surroundings. Here the

children may obtain a Legoland driver's license as a proof of their ability.

Moreover, the park has playgrounds, both indoor and outdoor, with and without supervision where the children may find an outlet for their imagination and need for activity.

The exhibition hall in Legoland will show changing collections of models built up of Lego toys, and big panoramas illustrate some of Hans Christian Andersen's best known Fairytales.

A unique attraction in Legoland is the antique doll collection consisting of more than 300 dolls in doll-size interiors from the 16th to the 19th centuries.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kay and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Lundgren wish to express their appreciation to all their friends for making Mrs. Erickson's 80th birthday a very pleasant one.

May we also express our thanks for her unexpected gift of money and to the ladies who supplied the delicious lunch.

IN MEMORIAM

MACKY — In memory of Jack, who passed away, March 6, 1969. To-day recall's sad memories, of a husband gone to rest. And the one who thinks of him to-day. Is the one who loved him best. Loving wife Hilda, (Cloverdale) Surrey, B.C.

Did You Know?

The Marc issue of TRUE has an article about Iceland with 19 colored pictures. TRUE is a magazine written for today's man and it will cost you 60 cents.

school children from a large region in connection with the other educational activities.

The basic idea of Legoland is to illustrate the creative play and its importance for the child and the child's development, not only to the children themselves, but also to their parents, educators and other people who work with children.

One thing is certain: Never a dull moment in Legoland!

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Remember the Whistdrive on March 11th and April 8th

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Get your supper tickets at \$2.00 from Pastor Filtenborg
Phone 469-0123 and other members of the club.

A man with a chicken farm observed that one of his hens wasn't up to par and feared some disease might be in the chicken yard. He decided to have the chicken diagnosed, wrung the neck, and sent it to the county agent's office.

He received a report some days later giving the cause of death, "died of a broken neck."

One newlywed to another: "Marriage is really a grind. You wash dishes, make beds — then two weeks later, you have it to do all over again!"

I am reminded of the drunk who, when he had been thrown down the stairs of a club for the third time, gathered himself up, and said,

"I am on to those people. They don't want me in there." — William Jennings Bryan, after losing his third try for the presidency.

OCEANOGRAPHER THOR KVINCE from Bergen has been appointed leader of the U.S. National Science Foundation — sponsored expedition to the Antarctic from February to April this year. The oceanographic expedition will take place aboard the U.S. Coast Guard's ice breaker "Glacier".

